produce Indian version of the film Jurassic Park;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to provide all possible assistance to encourage such moves of producers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO): (a) to (d) M/s Paramount Pictures, U.S.A. has already dubbed their original English film "Jurassic Park" in Hindi. Both English & Hindi versions have already been released in India. Government is not aware of any move of the Indian film producers of producing an Indian version of this film.

Plant Load Factor

5349. **SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA:** Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that average Plant Load Factor is about 61% while a large number of power stations of various State Electricity Boards operate at less than 50%;

(b) if so, the factors responsible for low rate of operation;

(c) since when these power stations are operating at 50% or less; and

(d) the steps being taken to improve that percentage?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILA BEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) Yes, Sir, the average plant load factor of Thermal Power Stations in the country during 1993-94 was 61% while average plant load factor of thermal stations of Electricity Boards during this period was 56.6%. The stations under State electricity Boards operating at PLF less than 50% are indicated at statement. (*See* below).

(b) The main factors responsible for low PLF of these stations are—aging of units, financial constraints with some Boards and poor quality of coal.

(c) The period since when these stations are operating at PLF less than 50% are also indicated in statement (*See* below).

(d) Various measures being taken for optimum utilisation of installed capacity include—renovation and modernisation of old units, award scheme for efficient & economic performance of stations, proper preventive maintenance schedules and annual/capital over-hauls, supply of requisite quantity and quality of coal and training of operation and maintenance personal.

Statement

The power stations which operate at PLF less than 50% are given below:—

SEB/Station	PLF during 1994-95	Since continued below 50% PLF
DESU		
I.P. Station	45.9	1993-94
HSEB		
Panipat	42.3	1980-81
UPSEB		
Obra	33.9	1994-95
Panki	29.2	1989-90
H Ganj B & C	22.3	1980-81

SEB/Station	PLF during 1994-95	Since continued below 50% PLF
Paricha	16.7	1990-91
Tanda	25.6	Since beginning
GEB		
Kutch Lignite	39.1	1994-95
A. E. COMPANY		
A.E.Co. (old)	20.2	1991-92
MSEB		
Paras	39.0	1993-94
APSEB		
Nellore	35.4	1990-91
BSEB		
Patratu	20.3	1980-81
Barauni	20.7	1990-91
Muzaffarpur	18.2	Since beginning
OSEB		
Talcher	29.0	1980-81
WBSEB		
Santaldih	31.3	1980-81
DPL	26.6	1980-81
DVC		
Chandrapur	26.0	1985-86
Bokaro	40.4	1989-90
ASEB		
Chandrapur	29.9	1990-91
Namrup	32.0	1982-83
Bongaigaon	20.3	Since Beginning

Loktak Power Project

5350. **SHRI K.R. MALKANI:** Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Loktak Power Projects, Manipur, was expected to cost Rs. 6 crores but it actually cost Rs. 115 crores;

(b) whether it was expected to generate power at 3 paise per unit but the actual cost is around Rs. 2 per unit;

(c) whether it was expected to reclaim 60,000 hectares of land but it has not reclaimed any;

(d) whether it has enundated and destroyed 50,000 hectares of fertile land that it was not supposed to touch; and

(e) whether it is a fact that no compensation has been paid to the farmers owing these 50,000 hectares of land?